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The Black Sea rowing and sailing races, the Danube rowing races, and the motorcycle hill-climbing race on Mount Buzludzha were staged successfully. Three champions were chosen in target practice.

Together with the successes achieved by the DOSO there are serious weaknesses.

The growth of the organization proceeds unsatisfactorily. Thus, in Kolarovgrad Okrug alone, 153 villages have no primary organizations and in Trustnik, Pleven Okoliya, 60 of the 8,000 inhabitants are members of the DOSO.

The situation in the primary organizations, particularly in the villages, is not satisfactory. The DOSO primary organization in Makhala, Pleven Okoliya, now numbers only 160 members, as compared to 600 members when the organization was established, and a number of primary organizations in Plovdiv, Svichtov, and other okolias have been dissolved.

The great possibilities for the organization to have large volunteer work brigades have been incompletely and poorly exploited. A number of okoliya councils thought that the entire work could and must be handled only by paid labor.

The help of the Fatherland Front, the DSEH (Dimitrov Union of People's Youth), the Trade Unions, etc., was insufficiently enlisted.

The role and importance of socialist competition has been underestimated by several okrug and okoliya councils, who have considered it an added burden in their work.

The propaganda and organizational work done in connection with the aims of the organization is insufficient. The propagandizing of military science is still weak. The groups of lecturers which have been established as yet exist only in form in most instances. Visual agitation, radio, and press are not fully exploited in popularizing the DOSO. Articles in Patriot and its circulation are still most unsatisfactory. The political and educational work in courses and discussion groups has been particularly ineffective.

Undue haste in fulfilling the educational plan of the organization has been allowed by almost all the councils, with the result that the quality of training, particularly in the last quarter, was impaired. Shortened hours of political and educational training, hurried and formalistic presentation of lectures, and careless conducting of examinations are among the faults which have been allowed.

School work was poorly organized. No distinction has been made in courses and discussion groups between those who have served in the army? and those who have not. Special training in various fields has not been coordinated with over-all training, which every specialist must possess. DOSO still does not offer training in all the fields required for effective cooperation with national defense.

Competitive activities organized by the DOSO have had, in most instances, a purely athletic character.

Hallies and cross-country races have not always been well organized.

Clubs have been established hurriedly and without due awareness of their functions. Due to this, most clubs are mere armchair organizations.

Available equipment is not used correctly in some places, and is not properly maintained. The okrug and okoliya councils, and, foremost of all, the primary organizations, have shown little initiative in obtaining their own financial means and assuring local development.

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In view of the foregoing observations and on the basis of the Executive Committee's report on activities during the past year and the tasks ahead, the Third Plenary Session of the Central Council of the DOSC has decided to take the following measures:

A. Mass Organization and Propaganda Work

1. The Plenary Session places upon the okrug and okoliya councils the responsibility for continuing the efforts to make the organization a mass organization. Before the end of the year, primary organizations must be established in all villages, farm workers' cooperatives, machine tractor stations, state farms, and other enterprises and institutions in villages, special measures being taken to attract women and young girls into the organization. This can be achieved by boldly promoting them to positions of responsibility in the management of the organization and in the sections.
2. The okrug and okoliya councils are to pay serious attention to consolidating the organizational discipline of the primary organizations in the villages, farm workers' cooperatives, and state farms by means of more frequent tours by paid cadres and volunteer workers and by holding periodic conferences with the presidents of primary organizations to exchange experiences and make concrete suggestions for improvement of work.
3. The Plenary Session holds the Executive Council responsible for adopting measures which will facilitate the correct selection of the paid cadres at the okrug councils and for raising their qualifications. The okrug councils in turn are responsible for the correct selection of paid cadres at the okoliya councils and the continuous improvement of their qualifications in their respective regions.
4. To familiarize them thoroughly with the basic aims and problems of the DOSO, the okoliya councils are to hold seminars for the presidents of primary organizations four times yearly, beginning not later than 25 April 1952.
5. The Plenary Session holds the presidents of the okrug and okoliya councils responsible for establishing sections of volunteer workers not later than the end of April 1952 to help in the organizational, propaganda, and educational work. They must also assure the sections of an active schedule, in order that they may effectively help the councils of DOSO organizations.
6. The Plenary Session expects the okrug and okoliya councils to improve their work methods. This can be done by operating on strictly defined plans for each quarter, month, week, and day. The execution of the educational plans must be examined periodically and systematic checks on the objectives made.
7. The Plenary Session expects the presidents of the Executive Committee and the okrug and okoliya councils to pay particular attention to the organization and supervision of socialist competition, which must include all primary organizations and all members of the DOSO. The competition is to be based on planning, concrete indexes, and accepted obligations.
8. The Plenary Session expects the okrug and okoliya councils to take appropriate measures for decisive improvement of the propaganda of military-historical and military-technical sciences, by:
 - a. Establishing lecture groups at the okrug and okoliya councils not later than the end of April 1952
 - b. Assuring the presentation of at least one lecture every month at every primary organization on the general aims of the DOSO

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c. Having the members of the Central Council, as well as of the okrug and okoliya councils, give periodic lectures before the primary organizations.

d. Assuring a good presentation by all scheduled lecturers on political education before the educational units of the DOSO

e. Assuring, before May 1952, the establishment of permanent organization rooms at enterprises, institutions, and schools; and using to the fullest possible extent available press and radio facilities in popularizing the DOSO.

9. The Executive Committee, the okrug and okoliya councils, and the primary organizations must seek the help and leadership of the party at all times. They must tighten their cooperation with the trade unions, the Fatherland Front, the Union of People's Reading Rooms, and all the other public organizations.

10. The okrug and okoliya councils, and the councils of DOSO primary organizations must acquaint themselves with the decisions of the Plenary Session of the Central Committee of the DSM concerning the patriotic education of youth. Joint measures must be planned with the committees of the DSM in order to attain this goal: "By the end of 1952, every member of the DSM must become a bearer of the 'Naroden Strellets' (People's Sharpshooter) Medal or the 'FVIRLO' (Anti-Air and Chemical Defense) award."

B. Mass Education and Sports

1. The Plenary Session charges the Executive Committee with the following tasks, for better cooperation in the defense of the fatherland.

a. Educational groups for the training of youth must be established. Graduates of these groups are to be included in discussion groups and courses.

b. The training programs in all fields are to be revised to achieve better coordination between special and general training.

c. Directives issued are to assure that the competitions and meets held in the various fields lead toward a concrete goal.

d. The new educational methods are to be introduced not later than 1 July 1952.

2. Educational and sports training must be carried on in such a way as not to interfere with production, and should be carried out especially in the primary organizations.

3. The okrug and okoliya councils of the DOSO must supervise and control the good and regular implementation of the educational programs in discussion groups and courses, the selection of good lecturers, and the most rigorous observance of the full number of lecture hours called for in the program. To improve the quality of educational work, the okrug and okoliya councils must from time to time organize refresher seminars for the leaders of educational units.

4. The okrug councils of the DOSO must follow the directives which they have received on establishing okrug clubs in the fields of general sports, air sports, and water sports in the course of the year. These clubs can later become educational and methodological centers for the improvement of mass education and sports.

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C. Material and Financial Work

1. The okrug and okoliya councils of the DOSO must establish conditions for the correct use and maintenance of equipment, the rules and regulations issued by the Central Council serving as guidance. The okrug councils must conduct seminars on these matters for the treasurers and supply men of the okoliya councils before 31 March 1952.

2. The okrug and okoliya councils and the primary organizations of the DOSO are to develop a greater initiative in establishing their own financial means. Plans to that effect for the okrug organizations are to be worked out not later than the end of April 1952.

3. Okrug and okoliya councils must take steps to improve their financial accounting and must rigorously observe all the legal requirements connected therewith. The inspection commissions are to make quarterly financial checks.

4. The okrug and okoliya councils must organize the systematic control of the collection and accounting of dues by the primary organizations. Regular reports on that matter are to be made to the Central Council every 3 months by the okoliya council.

The decisions of this Third Plenary Session of the Central Council of the DOSO are to be discussed at the plenary sessions of the okrug councils. Projects for their implementation are to be made and expressed in the reports and decisions of the okoliya conferences.

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